

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

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PALMDALE AIRPORT FLYAWAY SERVICE

Promoting the use of LA/Palmdale Regional Airport will help reduce traffic and air congestion in the Los Angeles basin and contribute toward meeting the growing air travel needs in Southern California. United Airlines flies between LA/Palmdale Regional Airport and San Francisco International Airport, with connections to points throughout the U.S. and the world daily. The success of commercial jet service at LA/Palmdale Regional Airport will also contribute to the growing economy of the northern part of the county.

The County has partnered with the Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) and the Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA) to provide an express bus service to LA/Palmdale Regional Airport similar to the LAX Flyaway. The pilot Palmdale Airport bus service will commence on April 2, 2008, and continue through December 31, 2008.

The bus service will operate between Palmdale Airport and the Van Nuys Terminal, with a stop at the Via Princessa Metrolink Park & Ride in Santa Clarita Valley. This service will be free of charge to patrons with boarding passes for a same-day flight to or from Palmdale Airport during the pilot service period.

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I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

1. find that the express bus service is statutorily exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to the Public Resources Code 21080(b)(10);
2. authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to negotiate and execute an agreement with AVTA to provide service for the express bus service; and
3. authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to disburse up to \$240,000 from the Proposition A Local Return Transit Program allocated to the Fifth Supervisorial District for these services -- \$80,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Transit Enterprise Fund Budget, and \$160,000 is included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2008-09 Transit Enterprise Fund Budget.

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